

**HB 1850 - DIGEST**

(SUBSTITUTED FOR - SEE 1ST SUB)

Authorizes the secretary to issue a retired volunteer medical worker license to any applicant who: (1) Has held an active license issued by a disciplining authority under RCW 18.130.040 no more than ten years prior to applying for an initial license under this act;

(2) Does not have any current restrictions on the ability to obtain a license for violations of chapter 18.130 RCW;

(3) Submits proof of registration with a local community organization that is registered with the United States department of health and human services to provide medical services during an emergency or disaster or local public health jurisdiction program to coordinate responses to an emergency or disaster.

Provides that license holders under this act must be supervised and may only perform duties corresponding to the scope of practice associated with the active license that they had prior to retirement.

Provides that a person who holds a retired volunteer medical worker license issued under this act who provides assistance during an emergency or disaster, as defined in RCW 38.52.010, while at the scene, an alternative care site, a hospital site, en route to such a site, or while participating in an approved training for an emergency or disaster, without compensation or the expectation of compensation and within the scope of their assigned duties and under the direction of the local organization with which he or she has been registered, shall not be liable for civil damages resulting from any act or omission in the rendering of such assistance or in transporting such persons, other than acts or omissions constituting gross negligence or willful or wanton misconduct.